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The following four documents were cited in an Official Action recently issued by the German Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Official Action is enclosed. An English translation is also enclosed.

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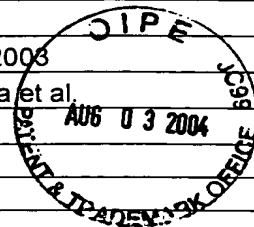
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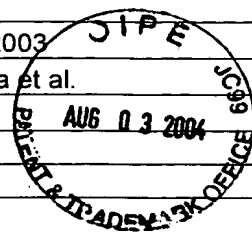
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